(c) if so, whether any applications have been received for importing Rocaltral capsule; and

(d) how many applications are lying with the Government for granting import license in respect of the import of the said Capsule ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR) : (a) and (b) 'Rocaltral' is the brand name of a basic drug called 'Calcitriol', which a metabolite of Vitamin D3. It is covered under the definition of "New Drug" in the Drugs & Cosmetics Rules, Requirement of clinical trial of new drugs is laid down in the Drugs & Cosmetics Rules.

(c) and (d) One application has been received for registration of Calcitriol capsules as "new Drug".

WHO Report on Possible Spread of Malaria and allied Epidimics

294. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government as seen the report of World Health Organisation on possible spread of Malaria and allied epidemics if so, what measures Government propose to take to arrest such recurrence in the country; and

(b) whether Government propose to reactivate Malaria eradication schemes or advice the State Governments to introduce other measures ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR) : (a) There is no such WHO report as per information received from the South East Asia regional office of WHO.

(b) For control of malaria, malariogenic stratification alongwith the implementation of a revised strategy consisting of prompt case detection and treatment and use of new bio-technologies for vector control is planned.

Procurement of Unani Medicines by the CGHS Dispensary

295. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL alias MEEM AFZAL : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that there is no regular local purchase system of Unani medicines in CGHS dispensary as in allopathy or other systems;

(b) whether Government are also aware of the fact that the existing system in Unani CGHS dispensary to procure the medicines is very long and cumbersome that the patients have to wait for more than a month to get the medicines; and

(c) whether Government propose to simplify this process of getting Unani medicines without causing difficulty to the patients including the Members of Parliament ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR) : (a) to (c) There is a CGHS Unani formulary in Delhi for the three Units and one Dispensary. In addition, the Unani Medical Stores Depot has also been authorised to purchase non-available medicines from M/s Hamdard Laboratory, Delhi. This system is reported to be working satisfactorily.

Revamped Action Plan for Family Welfare Programme in Districts of Bihar, M.P. U.P.

296. SHRI JAGIR SINGH DARD : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state : what specific Policy and implementary measures have been taken by the Government since April, 1992 for spreading and improving maternity and Child health care, Family planning facilities in the 83 districts of Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh selected for special strategy under the revamped acton plan for family Welfare programme ?